Sl. No.	Name	Name of the Unit	Award date
8.	Subedar Thapa NB (Posthumous)	5th Royal Gorkha Rifles	25/26 June 1944
9.	Rifleman Thapa SB (Posthumous)	1/9 Gorkha Rifles	18 September 1944
10.	Subedar Ram Sarup Singh (Posthumous)	1 PUNJAB	25 October 1944
11.	Naik Ghade Y	3/5 Maratha Light Infantry	02 November 1944
12.	Rifleman Gurung T (Posthumous)	5th Royal Gorkha Rifles	10 November 1944
13.	Subedar Major & Honorary Captain Bhandari Ram	16 Baluch	22 November 1944
14.	Lance Naik Sher Shah (Posthumous)	16 PUNJAB	20 January 1945
15.	Jemadar P Singh (Posthumous)	13FFR	17 February 1945
16.	Subedar Major & Honorary Captain Gian Singh	5 SIKH	02 March 1945
17.	Naik Fazal Din (Posthumous)	10 Baluch	02 March 1945
18.	Rifleman Gurung B	2nd King Edward VII'S Own Gorkha Rifles	05 March 1945
19.	Judge KS (Posthumous)	15 Punjab Regiment	18 March 1945
20.	Sepoy Ali Haiddar	13 FFR	09 April 1945
21.	Havildar & Honorary Naib Subedar Jadhao N	1/5 Maratha Light Infantry	09 April 1945
22.	Rifleman Gurung L	4/8 Gorkha Rifles	13 May 1945

Steps to reduce bird hits of defence aircrafts

3010. SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY:
SHRI K. RAMA MOHAN RAO:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that bird hits have been identified as the major causes of aircrafts crashes leading to loss of invaluable lives and expensive Defence aircraft;

(b) if so, what the Government is doing in connection with waste management to reduce the bird hits of aircraft; and

(c) what the Ministry, in co-ordination with the Ministry of Urban Development is doing to concentrate on waste management in all the towns where there are IAF air fields?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Cleaning of the environment around the IAF airfields in coordination with concerned Ministry/Department/State Government/Local Civic Authorities is constantly pursued to create a hygienic environment in the interest of flight safety.

Indigenous development of AWACS

3011. SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD:
SHRI B.J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government proposes to develop Airborne Early Warning and Control System (AWACS) indigenously;

(b) if so, the present status of the project; and

(c) the time-frame within which it would be ready for use by our armed forces?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A programme for design and development of indigenous Airborne Early Warning and Control (AEW&C) System was sanctioned to DRDO in October, 2004. The preliminary designs of various sub-systems of the AEW&C have been completed.

(c) The time frame for the completion of development activities and commencement of User trials is 78 months.

Utilisation of funds by MoD

3012. SHRI GIREESH KUMAR SANGHI: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount allocated and spent by the Ministry for the last three years;